

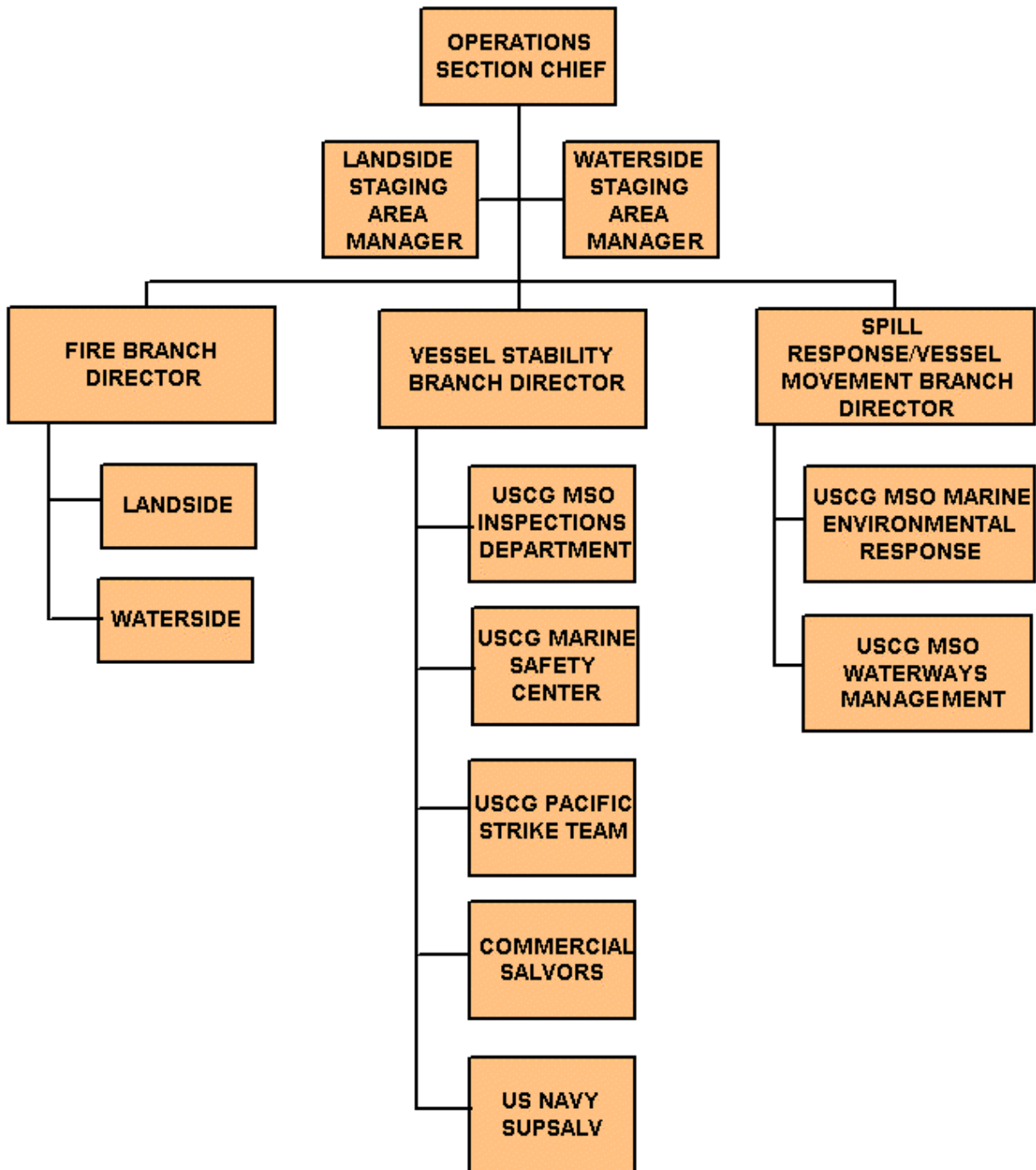
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8300 OPERATIONS

OPERATIONS SECTION DIAGRAM



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8310 Operations Section Organization

Responsible for all operations directly applicable to the firefighting efforts during the response to a vessel fire.

All members of the Command, Operations and Planning Sections should be thoroughly familiar with:

- Resource Guide Section 8800.
 1. Pre approved Grounding sites
 2. Piers for Fire Fighting
 3. Shore Side Emergency Resource Loading Sites
 4. Initial Fire Response Checklist

8320 Roles and Responsibilities

8320.1 Operations Section Chief

- The Operations Section Chief is responsible for the management of all operations directly applicable to the primary mission. The Operations Chief activates and supervises elements in accordance with the Incident Action Plan and directs its execution; activates and executes the Site Safety Plan; directs the preparation of unit operational plans, requests or releases resources, makes expedient suggestions for changes to the Incident Action Plans as necessary, and reports such to the Incident Commander. There is only one Operations Section Chief for each operational period.

8320.2 Staging Area Manager(s)

Under the Operations Section Chief, Staging Area Manager(s) are responsible for managing all activities within the designated staging areas.

- Review Common Responsibilities as per organizational guidance such as *USCG Incident Management Handbook COMDTPUB P3120.17*

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8330 Fire Fighting Branch

When the Fire Fighting Branch is activated, it is within the Branch level of the Operations Section. The Firefighting Branch Director is primarily responsible for implementing strategic aspects of Vessel & land side firefighting efforts.

- Review Common Responsibilities as per organizational guidance such as *USCG Incident Management Handbook COMDTPUB P3120.17*.

8340 Marine Firefighting Coordinator

This role is assigned to a marine safety office who has a high level of expertise in marine firefighting. This person advises the other agencies in aspects of firefighting peculiar to the marine systems i.e. stability, vessel equipment, etc.

8350 Vessel Stability Branch

This Branch is responsible for providing an accurate assessment of the vessel's stability.

Over time, firefighting water may create a dangerous capsizing situation for the vessel. Information needed may include:

- Tank soundings
- Vessel name and Vessel Identification Number (VIN)
- Vessel stability information
- Present degree of list
- Copy of ship's drawing
- Estimate of firefighting water onboard may be calculated by using rate of flow, number of hoses used and time
- Decanting regulations (copies)

There are numerous resources to assist with calculating the vessel's stability. These include:

- USCG MARINE SAFETY CENTER (MSC). Located in Washington, D.C. Their phone number is **(202) 366-6480**.
- USCG Marine Safety Office SFB, Vessel Inspections Department. This department contains considerable knowledge of ship design and may assist with determining vessel stability.
- USCG Pacific Strike Team. Located at Novato, CA. Their 24 hour phone number is:
(415) 883-3311

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- Commercial Salvage Expertise/Response Companies. Refer to the **Resource Guide – Section 8800, #26.**
- USN NAVSEA SUPSALV. **(202) 781-1731 #2.** For after hour/weekend access, **(202) 781-3889** . Local assets are located at Rough & Ready Island in Stockton.

8360 Oil Spill Response/Vessel Movement Branch

This branch is responsible for responding to an oil spill caused by a vessel fire as well as overseeing any requests to move the vessel to anchorage, pier or offshore. They will issue COTP safety zones/security zones.

- Review Common Responsibilities as per organizational guidance such as *USCG Incident Management Handbook COMDTPUB P3120.17*